

Healthy

Improving health outcomes

In 2011-12 the Government will again spend more on new health facilities than any other state, and will increase its total health operating budget to \$11 billion.

In 2011-12, the Government will invest \$1.820 billion in health infrastructure, including:

1. new hospitals
2. hospital redevelopments and expansions (including emergency department upgrades)
3. new community health centres
4. new pathology, research and scientific labs
5. mental health services
6. IT to support the delivery of health services.

In 2011-12 the Government will provide:

- \$46 million towards early works on the \$2.033 billion Sunshine Coast University Hospital and Sunshine Coast Academic Research Centre
- \$242 million towards the new \$1.4 billion Queensland Children's Hospital, including \$7 million to ensure the new Queensland Children's Hospital is supported by a world class academic and research centre
- \$435.6 million of \$1.76 billion for the new Gold Coast University Hospital, due for completion in 2012
- \$245.8 million to continue with the redevelopment of Cairns, Mackay, Mount Isa, Townsville and Rockhampton hospitals, at a total estimated investment of \$1.4 billion

- funds to complete and fully commission the Bundaberg Hospital expansion, Caloundra Hospital emergency department expansion and Nambour Hospital elective surgery units
- \$145.8 million to continue the development of the Translational Research Institute on the Princess Alexandra Hospital campus, allowing for the first time in Australia biopharmaceuticals and treatments to be discovered, produced, clinically tested and manufactured in one location
- \$10 million in additional grants to James Cook University towards the completion of the dental school clinical training facilities
- \$61.2 million to continue the replacement and upgrade of information and technology equipment to provide future capability
- \$30 million to enhance mental health services, at an estimated total cost of \$148.4 million.

The Logan Hospital emergency department upgrade will now include a new expanded emergency department in a multi-storey building with 50 new beds.

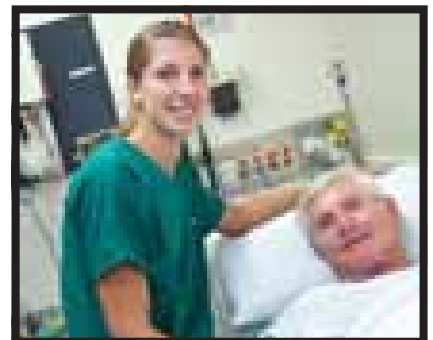


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126 community mental health staff to support the areas affected by the recent natural disasters

Increase the number of available beds by 1,700 at 19 facilities across Queensland over five years

Deliver more than 950,000 acute episodes of care

Deliver over 525,000 days of rehabilitation and extended care

Record \$1.895 billion capital program to continue redeveloping and building new hospitals and health facilities



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Queensland has the largest health building program in Australia

\$723.6 million (\$5.197 billion total commitment) to continue developing the new Sunshine Coast and Gold Coast university hospitals, and the Queensland Children's Hospital. The development of the Sunshine Coast University Hospital means that approximately 10,000 patients will no longer have to travel to Brisbane to access services each year.

The Gold Coast University's new and expanded health care services mean more patients can be treated closer to home. The Queensland Children's Hospital will offer children, young people, and their families access to the best treatment and health care facilities available in Queensland and be purpose-designed to cater for the distinct needs of different age groups.